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dressed men in the world to-day. ROTARY PLOWS NOW AT WORK If you prefer some of the others, they're here

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WHEN

CUTE LITTLE STOWAWAY.

She Outclassed Any Ingenue on the

Stage and Puzzled the Purser.

er Pretoria, which has arrived from Ber-

muda, was a short way out from that port

the purser started on his round to "check

up" the tickets. He was taken aback to

find a demure and neatly dressed little

quadroon girl sitting on deck near the

gangway, hugging a small, neatly-packed

and tied bundle, and appearing perfectly

ound he had tackled a problem of bashful-

ness, diplomacy, cuteness and simplicity,

said her name was Bertha Walman, and

that her mother was in the United States.

She was a stowaway in the eyes of the law,

but was well treated on the voyage. She

could not tell, however, where to find her

mother, and was detained, much against

FOR RIVERS AND HARBORS

OVER SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS

ASKED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE.

About \$36,000,000 Required for Con-

tinuing Contracts-Democratic

Speeches on Boer War.

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- The House

to-day began consideration of the river and

harbor bill. Mr. Burton, of Ohio, made an

extended speech in explanation of the

measure, in the course of which he pre-

sented many interesting facts relative to it.

measure, among them being Mr. Bellamy.

\$25,000,000. For the current year the appro-

priations contained in the sundry civil bill,

ized in river and harbor bills, he said, were

instead of increasing with other govern-

mental expenditures, as was popularly sup-

unworthy projects for the improvement of

of the bill. One of the important features

of the bill, he said, was a provision for a

crush the life out of peoples fighting for

for the Boers in South Africa, and called

said had been pigeon-holed by the ma-

elderly lady in the gallery with pro-Boer

the gentleman from Missouri, and at one

tion of disapproval that one of the door-

keepers was obliged to admonish her to

tempted to coerce his action on the ques-

qualified falsehood made out of whole

involving personal privilege, but the speak-

er overruled the point of order, holding

ity. "I consider it not only an attack," re-

district and he had no personal interest in

to prevent a repetition of this sort of

thing," he concluded. "Who can tell who

will be the next to be ambuscaded by the

press? Must we remain powerless while a

member of the House is used as a club to

"It is high time some steps were taken

sumed Mr. Wachter, "but a cowardly at-

tack.

Lesson, the pioneer gas man of Elwood, The House then at 5 p. m. adjourned.

vilify the speaker?"

Mr. Wachter, rising to a question of per-

While Mr. Cochran was speaking an

Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, denounced the

veys, examinations and estimates.

ried by the bill.

Several other members spoke briefly to the

NEW YORK, March 17 .- When the steam-

Useful Articles for Invalids and one of the wealthlest merchants in this Reclining and Rolling Chairs for parlor and tion of sinking experimental oil wells at street. Carrying Chairs, Wheeled Couches, Food Sterilizers and Desiccators. Feeding and Spit Cups. Electric Beits, Inscles and Batteries. once to determine whether the oil well brought in here a few days ago is merely Bath Cabinets.

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NO MORE NATURAL GAS

MUNCIE MUST SEEK OTHER FUEL AFTER NEXT OCTOBER

Important Suit Under Gas Waste Law -Delaware and Blackford Oil Fields-More Wells at Elwood.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., March 17 .- The Muncle | at home with her surroundings. When the Natural Gas Company to-night notified the purser asked the girl to show her ticket he City Council that after the present fiscal year, ending in October, it would cease to either feigned or real, that outclassed utfurnish fuel to the citizens for domestic terly any ingenue on the stage. She finally use. President Rose states that this means that the company will abandon the natural gas field for fuel and will only furnish light. This will come from "producers' gas," so-called, a large plant being built her will, at Ellis island. How the child got to manufacture the gas on North Walnut | aboard the ship is a mystery. street near the Wysor mill.

This action by the company follows the veto by Mayor Tuhey of the ordinance passed by Council giving the company an open rate to charge for gas. The company claims that the restrictions placed on it by Council makes the business unprofitable because of the scarcity of gas. Other cities pay a higher rate for gas and pumping stations make the supply sufficient from a few wells. The rate here will not warrant an extra investment for pumps, the company declares. Unless some change is made. Muncie will cease to be a natural gas city after this summer. Eastern Indiana is shivering to-night,

and the gas belt is again short of fuel. The mercury dropped from 56 to 20 to-day, and a blinding snowstorm followed this

IMPORTANT TEST SUIT.

It Will Be Entered Under the Gas Waste Law's Provisions.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MARION, Ind., March 17 .- A test case is soon to be entered in the Grant Circuit of North Carolina, who protested against Court that vill be of gravest importance | the treatment his State had received. Mr. to oil men all over the State. The case Foster, of Illinois, and Mr. Cochran, of will be to test the validity of the law Missouri, discussed the Boer war, criticispassed in 1895 to prevent the waste of oil | ing the majority severely for failure to aland gas from wells and pipes. The act low Congress to express the sympathy of governing this says: "That it shall be the American people with the struggling unlawful for any persons, firm or corpor- republics. At the conclusion of the proation having possession or control of any ceedings to-day Mr. Wachter, of Maryland, natural gas or oil well, whether as a contractor, owner, lessee, agent or manager, Speaker Henderson had attempted to influto allow or permit the flow of gas or oil ence his course on the question of Cuban from any such well to escape into the open | reciprocity. air without being confined within such well or proper pipes, or other safe receptacle, for a longer period than two days or oil shall be safely and securely confined whole on the river and harbor bill. Mr. nental trains on that road, which have in such well, pipes or other safe and proper

receptacles." The oil men contend that they strike the gas some five or six days before they can shoot the well for oil. During this time the gas goes to waste. Arrests have been by deputy gas inspectors for the waste of gas. propriated under the contract system. There On these grounds every oil man in the gas was also, he said, a mistaken idea that the road open again by to-morrow, and its in northwest. Wednesday fair; warmer; territory could be arrested after the sec- pending measure carried larger appropria- through trains that have been held at Man- fresh north winds, becoming variable.

The suit will be brought by William H. Givens, an oil man of this city, of the Enterprise Transit Company. The company will bear all the expenses of the suit, and \$37,000,000, against \$41,000,000 for the two pre- ern and the Northern Pacific, but it will if the verdict is against the oil people the case will be carried to the Supreme Court, where a ruling on the statutes may be had. The papers in the case are now in the course of preparation in Prosecutor Dentler's office in this city.

DECREASED GAS PRESSURE

Is Giving a Decided Impetus to the Production of Oil. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MONTPELIER, Ind., March 17 .- There is unusual excitement in the Indiana oil field over the decrease in the once heavy gas pressure. The gas pressure is now river and harbor work, to pass upon surgetting to a point where drilling for oil will not conflict with the gas waste laws of the State. More experimental work will be done the coming season than ever before. Around Hartford City there is some excitement in oil circles and there are fourteen wells drilling and nearly double that amount of new rigs up and building. That pool now has to its credit 140 wells, with a production of about 100,000 barrels a month, which brings a nice revenue to the well owners as well as the land owners.

In Licking township, of Blackford county, the American Window Glass Company's wildcat well on the Bolner farm proved a failure. Pierce Bros. drilled in well No. 1 on the Fulton farm and have a thirty-fivebarrel producer. The Phoenix Oil Company's No. 6 on the Willman farm is pumping salt water, but the owners will keep the pumps working and give the well a thorough test before abandoning it. The Ohio Oil Company's well No. 27 on the Carrell farm is a strong gasser, with only slight indications of oil. The Mayer Oil Company's No. 6 on the Heagany farm started at seventy-five barrels. In Washington keep quiet. township the Ohio Oil Company's No. 2 on the Moon farm is a heavy gasser. T. N. Barnsdall's No. 1 on the Brubaker farm ticle charging that the speaker had atdid thirty-five barrels, and No. 2 is a gasser. The American Window Glass Company's tion of Cuban reciprocity by threatening No. 2 on the Moon farm is a salt-water to defeat an item in the river and harbor well. The same company's well No. 2 on bill in which he was reported as interested.

the Hiatte farm, in Harrison township, did Mr. Wachter denounced the story as an un-Another excitement of no mean magnitude has been created in the northeast corner of Delaware county. The Edna Oil Company has drilled four wells in that part of the township, and has a daily production of about 400 barrels. The last well drilled by that company is located on the Bryan farm, in Section 5 of Delaware township, and did 180 barrels. No. 2 is under way on the same farm, as is No. 2 on the Black farm, in Section 5, and No. 2 on the Black farm in Section 4. This pool is several miles from any other production. and shows an extension to the field. The leasing fraternity has been active for some time securing territory. The pool is located between Albany and Eaton.

More Wells Will Be Drilled.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ELWOOD, Ind., March 17 .- Capt. R. L.

AND THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTH-WEST SHIVERED YESTERDAY.

> Eight or Ten Persons Believed to Have Perished While the Great Blizzard Prevailed.

CLEARING RAILWAY TRACKS OF MOUNTAINOUS DRIFTS OF SNOW.

Trains Which Have Been Blockaded for Several Days to Be Moving Again in a Few Hours.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 17.-The great blizzard which had raged over the Dakotas | had been tied by his wife as she dismissed part of the State, has announced his inten- and Manitoba since last Friday subsided last night and to-day the weather was generally fair, but intensely cold, the theran accident, or if there is oil in paying mometer ranging from ten to sixteen dequantities in this district. Captain Leeson grees below zero. With the subsidence of drilled a private gas well a few days ago, the storm the railroads are bending their and, while it gave a satisfactory pressure at first, no gas at all issues from it at energy to again open their lines for trafpresent. The first experiment will be made fic, and immense rotary snow plows and ing. Between 8 and 9 o'clock last night it by drilling that well about five hundred feet attacking the mountainous drifts that block | even for slightly colder or warmer weather the tracks.

ponent Parts of a Blizzard. That raw wind from the west yesterday made the word "March" look like it was

Cattle and Sheep Perished.

of cattle are estimated to have perished

LOCAL WEATHER CONDITIONS.

St. Patrick's Day Brought the Com-

in Beadle county.

spelled with capital letters. The flurries of snow that came during the day added about two shakes to every shiver. The combination forced public sentiment down Bureau bounced up and down some 18 or 20 degrees above, according to the amount of sunshine. To those not prepared for the cold wave the day was full of chilly ments. There were symptoms of gas in most homes, and the little blue flames were coaxed, cursed and fondled, alternately. The man who had pressing business the first thing in the morning puffed into his office a half hour late, with a purple nose peeping through the edges of his coat collar, or over the bowknot in a scarf that him along with all idea of a warm breakfast. And so St. Patrick's day was celebrated throughout the city with the ex- for his resolution providing for a commitception of the Irish enthusiasts, who took

everything as a good joke. There was an official drop in the temperature of 20 degrees from 7 o'clock Sunday evening to 7 o'clock yesterday morning, the day closing with a temperature of 13 degrees above zero at 7 o'clock in the evengangs of men with pick and shovel are | had fallen to 11 degrees, with chances about | would be granted permitting consideration by morning. The officials at the Weather Bureau, however, promised an abatement The Great Northern succeeded in open- l to-day, with less wind and a clear sky.

FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE.



QUEBEC, March 17 .- Colonel Gaynor made it clear to-day that neither he nor Captain Greene entertained a thought of returning to the United States to-day. Colonel Gaynor stated a week ago that he might return to Savannah voluntarily on the 17th and appear before Judge Speer. Both men had a long conference with their counsel to-day, after which Colonel Gaynor intimated they have no intention of leaving Quebec until forced to do so. Two Americans who arrived at the Chateau Frontenac recently are supposed to be secret-service men from Washington. They seldow leave the rotunda or office of the hotel, and when one temporarily leaves the building his companion remains on duty.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 17 .- This morning, in the United States District Court, the Greene and Gaynor conspiracy cases went over till the May term of court bedenied a newspaper story to the effect that cause of the absence in Quebec of B. D. Greene and John F. Gaynor. The two other Gaynors were complimented by the judge on the faithfulness with which they have appeared for trial, and were permitted to go on bonds as they now stand. They left at once for New York.

Sprays of shamrock, in honor of St. Patrick's day, graced the lapels of the coats ing its line as far west as Church's Ferry. On account of the time of year it was said of half the members when the House met. N. D., and the road is expected to be clear and by night the weather broken. next after gas and oil have been struck Immediately after the approval of the jour- as far as Minot by morning. This will Patrick's day will be a thing of the past. in such well. And thereafter all such gas nal the House went into committee of the bpen an avenue of escape for transconti-Burton in his opening statement said the been snowbound at Minot since Friday impression existed that the bill carried night. If all goes well, the coast train Fair To-Day and Warmer in Northsomething over \$60,000,000 for the ensuing that should have arrived in St. Paul last fiscal year, whereas it carried but \$24,000,000 | Saturday morning will get here some time of actual appropriations, the remaining on Wednesday.

\$36,900,000 simply being authorized to be ap-The Northern Pacific expects to have its be restarted upon their journeys.

Efforts are also being made to reopen the fresh north winds, becoming variable. to provide for continuing contracts author- Manitoba division of both the Great Northvious years. Mr. Burton said that the ap- be several days yet before traffic resumes fresh west winds, becoming variable. propriations for river and harbor work, its normal movement.

In view of the fury and suddenness of posed, were in reality decreasing. Mr. Bur- the storms it is remarkable that so few ton also denounced the popular idea that lives are reported lost. While the reports 7 a. m. 30.20 bays and creeks absorbed a proportion of so far have been meager and many remote 7 p. m. 30.40 12 88 N'west. Clear. 0.01 the appropriation in the bill. The appro- points have not yet been heard from, it is priations were not divided up according to the general belief that not above eight or perature, 12. States and localities. The great projects ten persons perished throughout the storm-in which the whole country was interested swept region. A family of four is reported perature and total precipitation March 17: absorbed \$50,000,000 out of the \$60,000,000 car- to have perished near Minot, N. D., and two or three others are said to have been

Mr. Burton then entered into the details frozen to death in different localities. The loss of stock is hard to estimate. A report from Dickinson, N. D., places board of five engineers, familiar with all | the loss at from 25 to 30 per cent., while | Departure since Jan. 1 rumor places it, in other localities, at a much higher figure. It will be several days Mr. Foster, of Illinois, discussed the Boer | before definite information in this regard

war, denouncing the majority for failing can be obtained. There has been a good deal of suffering to allow Congress to consider a resolution expressing the sympathy of the American among the new settlers, many of whom arpeople with the struggling Boers. He said | rived but recently and were ill-prepared to | Abilene, Tex the administration, with the Philippine withstand the severe weather, but relief Amarillo, Tex war on its hands, dared not open its mouth | committees from the older inhabitants have on the subject of the South African war. taken charge of this matter and are doing | Bismarck, N. D -16 their best to alleviate the needs of the new- Buffalo, N. Y..... England and America, he said, were tarred

with the same stick; both were seeking to comers. At Bismarck, N. D., the thermometer reg- Calgary, N. W. T...... istered twelve below zero this morning. | Chattanooga, Tenn 3 Rotary plows are clearing the track from | Chicago failure of Congress to express its sympathy | Jamestown west, and no trains have moved | Cincinnati, O yet. Passengers on the westbound train | Cleveland, O attention to his resolution to invite Paul due at Bismarck Friday night have been | Concordia, Kan Kruger, President of the South African stalled at Dawson, fifty miles east of there, Davenport, Ia Republic, to visit this country, which he since that time. No inconvenience has re- Denver, Col 1 sulted except for the delay, as they have Des Mojnes, Ia

had plenty of food and coal. Reports from Washburn and Wilton, Dubuque, Ia -2 north of Bismarck, state that the storm | Duluth, Minn -8 tendencies frequently shook her fists at raged there with the same severity and El Paso, Tex....... these towns are snowed in completely. Fort Smith, Ark time became so violent in her demonstra- Traffic by rail or team has been abandoned Galveston, Tex 56 until the roads can be cleared. Business Grand Haven, Mich ... houses and residences are banked with Grand Junction, Col ... 24 drifts of snow eleven to twelve feet deep. | Havre, Mont For forty-eight hours the strong wind sel- Helena, Mont -6 dom registered less than forty miles an Huron, S. D -8 hour with the thermometer below zero Jacksonville, Fia 60 from one to five degrees.

Ice Bridge Broken. MACKINAW CITY, Mich., March 17 .-The ice bridge in the straits of Mackinaw Mr. Richardson made the point of order from Waugoshanee lighthouse to this point New Orleans, La..... that the question presented was not one was broken up by the northwest gale, and the channel is now open into Lake Michlthat the matter presented was an attack gan. The south channel, from Mackinaw North Platte, Neb on a member in his representative capac- City to Cheboygan, is still solid, but with Oklahoma, O. T...... a change of weather the ice will soon give Palestine, Tex. Proceeding, he denied in the most way. It is likely that the straits will open Parkersburg, W. Va... emphatic terms that the speaker had at- before the end of the week, although it is Philadelphia. Pa...... tempted to influence him in any way, and cold now, with snow. It will be one of the Pittsburg, Pa...... said that the river and harbor project re- earliest openings of navigation in the Pueblo, Col. ferred to in the newspaper was not in his straits on record.

> Deep Snow in the Black Hills. OMAHA, Neb., March 17 .- Reports re- St. Paul, Minn -6

Departure since March 1..... *43 -0.08 W. T. BLYTHE. Section Director. Monday's Temperatures. Stations. Max. 7 p. m. Atlanta, Ga Caire, III Dodge City, Kan.....

and by night the weather incident to St.

WEATHER FORECAST.

western Part of Indiana.

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday: For Indiana-Fair on Tuesday: warmer ond day gas had been struck and so forced to stop and cap the well before oil had been said, the actual appropriations exceeded be restarted upon their journeys.

To Illinois—Fair on Tuesday; not so cold be restarted upon their journeys. in north. Wednesday fair and warmer; For Ohio-Fair; continued cold on Tuesday. Wednesday fair and not so cold:

> Local Observations on Monday. Pres. Temp. R.H. Wind. Weath. Pre. 22 75 West. Pt. cldy. T.

Maximum temperature, 22; minimum tem-Comparative statement of the mean tem-Temp. Pre. 0.11 Departure from the normal..... -20 -0.10

Kansas City, Mo..... Lander, Wyo Little Rock, Ark Louisville, Ky Memphis, Tenn Modena, Utah Montgomery, Ala New York city..... Nashville, Tenn Norfolk, Va., Omaha, Neb Qu' Appelle, N. W. T., -8 Rapid City, S. D. Salt Lake City, Utah. St. Louis, Mo..... ceived at headquarters of the Fremont, Santa Fe, N. M 22 Elkhorn & Missouri Valley state that the Springfield, Mo..... snow in the Black Hills country is the Vicksburg, Miss deepest of the winter. In the cuts the Washington, D. C 42

drifts reached a depth of from ten to fifteen feet and blocked all trains for twelve

HURON, S. D., March 17 .- Saturday's and Sunday's snowstorm and windstorm THEY THREATEN TO BLOCK ALL was the worst in this section in ten years. LEGISLATION IN THE HOUSE. Eight hundred sheep and one hundred head

> Angry Because the Rules Committee Decided to Report Mr. Crumpacker's Resolution.

DEADLOCK OVER CUBAN AID

to zero, while the mercury in the Weather HOUSE CONFEREES ARE UNABLE TO

REACH AN AGREEMENT.

incidents, pine boxes and acute tempera- Beet Sugar Men Have Decided to Accept No Compromise Involving Reduction of Duties.

> Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, March 17 .- Representative Crumpacker to-day secured the rule Sister of the Dead Girl Testifies at tee of thirteen to investigate the representation of Southern States in Congress. At the same time he has probably precipitated the one real political fight of this Congress. The Democrats have at all times been a little doubtful as to whether a rule of this resolution, and they were somewhat surprised when it was announced this afternoon. It appears to be their polley to give the strongest opposition they can muster. They will endeavor to place it in the same light of the old force bill and secure opposition along this line. The leaders say to-night they will fight the appointment of this committee on every and all occasions. It is hard to see how they can impede legislation and do more than regis- | corroborated the latter's testimony, and | ter their protest in the regular parlia- then Leonard Owens, a river hand, testified etc." mentary way, but they are promising a the witness's house and passing a few On exhibition and for sale by struggle which shall properly measure their Indignation. Mr. Crumpacker says he sees no reason why the committee should not appeared to be in his usual mood. be appointed at once and get to work before the 1st of April. He says it should be able to gather all the facts needful in less | to Mr. Cropsey's. Wilcox declared that he than sixty days and be ready with prepared legislation before this session of the Con-

gress closes. The Associated Press says: The House committee on rules, by a divided vote on party lines, to-day decided to report the dwelling the defendant had told witness resolution of Representative Crumpacker, of Indiana, for a special committee of thirteen members to investigate and report on | 20th, Wilcox put on his working clothes, the alleged disfranchisement of voters in and witness did not see any other clothing some of the States.

mittee, Representatives Richardson, of protested against reporting the resolution, and when it was ordered to be reported by members of the committee Speaker Hen- from the dwelling to the river. derson and Representatives Dalzell and Grosvenor, the Democratic members consulted their colleagues on the floor of the House and began considering the advisasorting to the most extreme devices of parliamentary procedure of the House. That this extreme step shall be taken has not yet been decided on, as Messrs. Richardson and Underwood, after conferring with other Democratic members, said that action of the character contemplated should not be taken unless there is the most complete concurrence by the minority and a determination in advance to make a most determined contest. To this end it is the intention to submit the matter to a Democratic caucus, probably on Wednesday night. A caucus already has been called for that night to consider the Boer war. outside the Boer subject. But, in view of

franchisement question. Otherwise another | Guanta yesterday. caucus will be called. One of the minority parliamentarians tesy of the minority yielding a strict con- most likely capture shortly. formance to the rules. But the minority has the power to withhold 'unanimous con- a force of insurgents March 15 on the shore sent' and to require a constitutional vote near Peunta Piedras, north of the Island under the rules on every question arising, of Margarita, and March 15 the steamer proval of the journal will require a roll near Cumarebo, opposite the Island of Cubridge bill. The minority will be cautious | under General Riera, who was preparing to such a step unless assured in advance of taken it will be only because of the ques-

It is stated that the movement on the | The Bolivar is at present off the coast part of the minority is directed not only of the island of Margarita, which the against the Crumpacker resolution, with Venezuelan insurgents are attempting to a view to contesting its adoption to the capture. It is said the island of Coche, at every point. The action of the committee on rules in favor of the Crumpacker resolution will not be reported to the House for about ten days, as Representative Gros- to suppress the insurrection in that part out of the city temporarily.

VIRTUALLY A DEADLOCK.

House Conferees Unable to Agree on Concessions to Cuba.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, March 17.-Representative Steele assured his colleagues on the ways and means committee to-day that he ban reciprocity measure in his district while on his recent visit to Indiana. He said the something substantial for Cuba, and he felt the legislation would be very popular with the people. At the conference this afternoon between the committees representing the two sides of this vexed question they were on the verge of an agreement when the ways and means representatives finally said that they could not make the concessions required by the representatives of the sugar beet industry. The fact that the two factions were so close together makes the Petersburg with secret dispatches on the leaders feel that in conference to-morrow ting up.

night nearly all the Republicans may be able to see a fair proposition in a reasontions are very confident to-night, and on the surface there is no sign of either let-The arbitrating conference to-day lasted from 2 p. m. until 5:30, and at its close Chairman Payne authorized the statement that there was no change in the situation and no agreement, the conference adjourning until 3 p. m. to-morrow. The con- hastening his urgent message. erees stated privately that the situation ment than they had been at the outset. an instruction to insist upon the rebate Washington on the midnight train. would reduce the tariff even temporarily. It was finally agreed, however, to give this of Lobanow de Rostow. understanding an affirmative aspect, namewould be acceptable if it did not involve a out at the special request of the Czar to p. m. reduction of the tariff. Those who attended watch the developments of the alliance Georgia and Meridian streets for Greenwood only this was to accept nothing that involved a | and which was designed to check Russia's reduction of tariff. Others characterized move to obtain the permanent occupation the understanding reached as a determina- of Manchuria-a province which in extent, Lamsdorff, the minister of foreign at-

per cent. of the duties, roughly estimated burg to lay before the Czar and Count set out to bear the dispatches himself.

at about \$9,000,000. As between these plans and some modifications of them the conerees have thus far been unable to agree.

NOTES ABOUT INDIANIANS.

C. B. Landis Coming Home to Be Renominated-Mr. Steele Satisfied.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, March 17 .- Representative Landis, who will leave for his home to-morrow to attend the congressional convention, was a caller at the White House to-day. His friends here, considering his renomination assured, congratulated him. before his departure. J. M. Studebaker, of South Bend, is in Washington and was an interested spectator in the Senate gallery this afternoon when the ship subsidy bill was being voted

The Supreme Court to-day in the case of the Kokomo Fence Company vs. Alva L. and David N. Kitschnam granted a petition for a cross-writ of certiorari. Representative Steele has returned from Marion, where he has been on business and also paying some attention to the political situation in his district. He says he is very well satisfied with the outlook and has no doubt but that he will be renominated. Senator Beveridge has as his guest his mother from Peoria, Ill., and his cousin, Frank L. McLain, of Greenfield, O. Contract Surgeon Fletcher Gardner, United States army, of Bloomington, Ind. has been ordered to the Philippines for

LAST SEEN OF NELLIE CROPSEY

the Trial of Wilcox.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., March 17 .-Miss Ollie Cropsey, a sister of the dead girl, testified to-day in the Wilcox trial. She said that Wilcox had been very attentive to Nellie since June of 1898. They were on friendly terms until September of last year, when they began to quarrel. Wilcox ncts and organic matter by intense heat. gave Nellie several presents and often took her to places of amusement, boat-riding and driving. Wilcox called after they quarreled in September, but Nellie would hardly speak to him. The night Nellie disappeared, witness said, Wilcox called and sat in the parlor till 11 o'clock, when he asked Nellie to speak with him in the hall. She was never again seen alive by any member of the family. Wilcox, according to the not sensibly raised in a closed room after witness, said he had left her on the porch, ten hours' burning, and the air is not dried

Miss Carrie Cropsey, sister of Miss Ollie,

to meeting the defendant on the street near words with him. Witness went straight to his room, and as he began to pull off his clothes the clock struck 12. Wilcox had Chief of Police W. C. Dawson swore that he went to the Wilcox home at 3:15 in the morning, and carried the defendant over could not understand what had become of the girl, and said he had left her on the porch crying. Wilcox was not inclined to talk, but answered questions as they were asked him. He told Mrs. Cropsey that he could swear that he did not know where Nellie was. On the way to the Cropsey that Nell had laughed in his face and that he told her the laugh would be on the other When arrested, on the night of the in the room. Dawson and two civil engineers gave interesting measurements as The two Democratic members of the com- to the distances and depth of the water in front of the Cropsey residence, showing there was shelving of the water to the bed Tennessee, and Underwood, of Alabama, of the river, the depths varying from one foot within ten feet of the shore to three feet at a distance of seventy-five feet from the river bank. Bushes, trees, the summer the affirmative votes of the Republican | house and a fish-house obstructed the view

The courtroom was packed during the whole afternoon session. A number of ladies were in attendance beside the Cropsey girls and the Wilcox girls. The stolid inifference which has hitherto characterized the prisoner has given way, and he seemed billty of expressing their dissent by re- deeply interested in the testimony of the witnesses. Parker, who has been considered the star witness for the State, will be put on the stand to-morrow.

INSURGENTS ACTIVE.

Venezuela Rebels Making Much Tronble for Castro's Government.

PORT OF SPAIN, Island of Tripidad. March 17 .- The Venezuelan insurgents commanded by General Monagus captured the port of Guanta on March 12. Six customhouse officers were wounded. A Dutch steamer arrived off Guanta shortly after Under the caucus rules it will require the insurgents had taken possession of that unanimous consent to consider anything place and transferred to the revolutionists several bags of mail matter, the steamer's the general sentiment among Democratic officers thinking they were dealing with the members, it is expected that unanimous legal authorities. Government troops comconsent will be given to consider this dis- manded by General Velutini recaptured

The insurgents have taken possession of Cariaco and are marching on Cumanas. said: "The business of the House is large- The insurgents also continue to threaten ly done by 'unanimous consent,' the cour- Curapano, which place, it is said, they will

The revolutionary steamer Bolivar landed Without unanimous consent even the ap- landed war munitions and insurgent forces call, and it will take a week to pass a racao, to reinforce the revolutionary force n going to this extreme and will not take attack Coro. The Venezuelan insurgents are very active at present, and the situation a united following. If this step is not appears to be grave for the government of Venezuela. It is reported here that the intion of the propriety of resorting to such | surgents have captured Ciudad de Cure, near Valencia.

last extreme, but also to other legislation, which commands the Margarita channel, is in possession of the insurgents. General Alaya, Vice President of the Venezuela republic, who has been at Coro for more than two months, endeavoring venor, who is to make the report, will be of the country, left Willemstad yesterday for Caracas, where, it is said, he will take the place of President Castro, who intends to take command of the troops which will engage the insurgents.

Colon Defenses Strengthened. COLON, Colombia, March 17,-Active measures are being taken for the defense of this city and the iron intrenchments are being strengthened. Extreme vigilance is exercised day and night. It is reported found the greatest friendliness for the Cu- here that the revolutionists landed a number of cattle at Chorrera this morning. A dispatch announcing the death of the revolutionary general, Sergio Prez, during general sentiment of all classes was to do | the fighting at Port David last month, has been received here from Guayaquil, Ecua-

WITH SECRET DISPATCHES.

Russian Courier En Route from Toklo to St. Petersburg. NEW YORK, March 17 .- Speeding to St.

situation in Manchuria from the Russian UNION TRACTION CO., OF INDIANA. embassies in Tokio and Washington, is able way. The leaders of the opposing fac- | Prince Lobanow-Rostowsky, a confidential agent of the Czar. He is making his jourdurance and an unlimited supply of money can make it. The prince has at his entire disposal the services of every Russian embassy, consulate and consular agency from Tokio to Kronstadt, for the purpose of The courier of the Czar left this city on in the conference amounted to a deadlock, the steamship L'Aquitaine for Havre, INDIANAPOLIS & GREENFIELD RAPID and that they were no nearer to an agree- Prince Lobanow-Rostowsky has been a special attache in the Russian embassy in A meeting of Republican members oppos- the Japanese capital. He left Nagasaki on | PASSENGER CARS-Leave Georgia and Meing the ways and means committee's plan | the Pacific liner Nippon Maru just before ridian streets. First car at a. m. and hourly was held this afternoon. The meeting lasted the ratification of the Anglo-Japan treaty thereafter until 10 p. m. Last car leaves at 11.30 an hour and resulted in an agreement not for the maintenance of the integrity of to accept any compromise involving a re- the Chinese empire was communicated to duction of tariff duties. This in effect is the powers. The imperial courier left plan as against the reciprocity plan. The was preceded by a telegram from the Rus- Caks-Leave Georgia and Meridian streets at meeting was attended by fifty-two Repub- sian embassy in Washington to the Ruslican members. A resolution had been sian consulate in this city, which instructed p. m. framed by Representative Tawney, and this | the consul here to assure the prince's passerved as the basis of action. The discus | sage on the L'Aquitaine at all costs. This sion was all opposed to an agreement which | passage was obtained and Prince Lobanow-Rostowsky sailed under the Gallicized name

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population and future possibilities, is an fairs, important confidential information The proposition of the ways and means empire in itself. The Russian embassy in concerning the immediate prospects of the committee as modified is for 20 per cent. the Japanese capital knew that the Anglo- alliance. The Rusisan Foreign Office is reduction on Cuban imports until December, Japanese treaty was an accomplished fact said to have had humiliating experiences 1902. The "insurgent" scheme is to main- for days before the official announcement with cable messages transmitted in setain the regular duties and to pay to Cuba of its ratification. Prince Lobanow-Ros- cret codes, which failed to keep their saout of the treasury an amount equal to 20 towsky now is hastening to St. Peters- crets, and so Prince Lobanow-Rostowsky